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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Carlan Hodges, 40, an inmate of the Federal Correctional Institution at Oxford, Wis., was sentenced today by Chief U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to two years in prison for possessing an object designed to be used as a weapon. Hodges possessed the object on April 25, 2008.

Hodges pleaded guilty to this charge on July 16, 2008. Hodges' two-year sentence will be served consecutively to the 188-month sentence he is currently serving for unlawful possession of firearms as a convicted felon and possession of stolen firearms, imposed in the Southern District of Illinois in 1999.

The charge against Hodges was the result of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

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